



ALEXANDRIA, VA.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 18.

THIS, ACCORDING to certain ill-informed optimists in this country, is an age of progress in all that tends to improve at least the material condition of the people. And yet the very condition referred to would be bettered an hundred fold if the country faced to the setting, instead of to the rising sun. Two hundred years ago the following bill passed the General Assembly of the Colony of Pennsylvania:

"And to the end that poor as well as rich may be instructed in good and commendable learning, which is to be preferred before wealth, Be it enacted, etc., That all persons in this Province and Territories thereof, having children, and all the guardians and trustees of orphans, shall cause such to be instructed in reading and writing, so that they may be able to read the Scriptures and to write by the time they attain to 12 years of age; and that then they be taught some useful trade or skill, that the poor may work to live, and the rich if they become poor may not want; of which every County Court shall take care. And in case such parents, guardians or overseers shall be found deficient in this respect, every such parent, guardian or overseer shall pay for every such child five pounds, except there should appear an incapacity in body or understanding to hinder it."

If such a bill had been passed by the assemblies of all the colonies, and were now among the laws of all the States, the suffering the people of the country would have escaped in the past, and the benefits they would experience in the future would be incalculable.

THE FOLLOWING is an extract from a letter from an old friend in Prince Edward county, Va.—an old and true man, who thus rejoices over the recent election:

"Now, as to our recent election we are happy, shouting happy! The air is purer, the sun shines brighter, the moon sheds a softer and mellower radiance and the stars coruscate and sparkle and dance for joy at our victory over 'the powers of darkness.' Heaven and earth combine to swell the glad acclaim of our deliverance and the place called by our recent Bible tinkers and revisers 'Sheol,' but known to the orthodox as 'Hell,' opens wide its gates for the doomed and the damned who for to these long and weary years have made merchandise, and traded and trafficked in the blood and bones and honor and fame of our proud Old Mother, who have scorched and scorched her sacred bosom and sullied and stained her pure and bright escutcheon. Thank God for his mercies and blessings, and at the same time thanks to Him for his rewards and retributions to the vile and to the wicked. Arise from our heart of hearts, we thank and praise our Heavenly Father. Exit fraud and corruption! Exit Mahone!"

THE RICHMOND Dispatch, in condemning the advocacy, by the press of the State, of the claims of any gentleman for the United States Senate, concludes its comments thus: "How would it suit those of our contemporaries who declare that candor cannot be improper and that every paper should speak out, to have both the State and the Dispatch to come out against their favorite?" Now for cool conceit please commend us to the Dispatch. But with all due deference to our esteemed contemporary we don't think its antagonism would have any more weight than that of any other paper, though emanating from "the metropolis."

COMPLAINTS are rife all over the country part of the South of the scarcity and unavailability of negro farm hands and house servants. And yet in all the Southern cities thousands of negro men and women are lounging about, living, no white man knows how. Every one of them could get steady employment at fair wages if they would go to the country. But the attractions of the cities—in most cases vicious—are too great for them to resist, and thus the jails and workhouses of those cities, especially during the winter, are crowded with them.

WHEN a poor man, sick with the chills, buys ten grains of quinine now he pays eight cents for the dose. When he bought a similar dose two or three years ago he paid a quarter. But since then the duty on quinine has been removed. There were two or three quinine manufacturers in the whole country, who were benefited by the duty on it. There are sixty millions of people who are benefited by the removal of that duty. What is true of quinine is equally true of all the other articles now protected by the tariff.

THE SIMPLE fact that many men have passed the civil service examination and yet have not been appointed to office, shows plainly enough that the appointing power does not consider the ability to stand an examination a sufficient qualification for office. Then, why the trouble and expense of the examinations, and why the attempt to create the impression that there is a privileged class in a free country?

THE PRICE of the necessities of life is advancing, but not so with that of labor. The price of labor is the first to decline and the last to advance. And yet it is by the votes of laboring men that the high price of what laboring men have to buy is kept up by reason of the existing protective tariff.

THE SO-CALLED independent republican voters have all returned to their fold, but the so-called independent republican office holders still cling to the democratic administration with hooks of silver.

The Superintendent of Foreign Mails has made Newport News, a station for reception and departure of mails for South American countries.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Special Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18, 1885. Ex-Sergeant-at-Arms Bright, of the U. S. Senate, who is now practicing law here, says that when his State, Indiana, was redeemed from republican rule, Mr. McDonald was the chairman of the State democratic committee, and that the democrats there felt so grateful to him for the efficient and successful service he had performed in their behalf that they very naturally determined to bestow upon him as a reward therefor the highest honor within their gift—the U. S. Senatorship. Mr. Voorhees, however, the most distinguished orator in the State, and who had labored well and effectively in the campaign, thought he was entitled to the position, and, under the impression that such a favorable opportunity should not be allowed to pass unavailing, determined to be a candidate for it. He was a great favorite with all the young men in the State, who told him they would support him whether victory or defeat awaited him, but that to avoid the latter it would be well for him to sound the members of the Legislature in the different parts of the State. He wisely took their advice, and the result was that he withdrew. He thus secured the friendship of all the supporters of Mr. McDonald, and at the next Senatorial election was chosen without any difficulty. Col. Bright said the present condition of affairs in Virginia reminded him of what had occurred in his own State, and that in his opinion a profitable example might be made of it in Virginia. Then, too, he said, the election of Mr. Barbour would be particularly agreeable to the national democratic committee, as Mr. Barbour was a member of that committee, and a portion of the honor would be reflected upon them.

It is said here by Oregonians that in case the democrats of the Oregon Legislature and that enough republicans are concentrating upon any other man than Mitchell they will unite with the latter's friends and elect him. Some Oregon democrats, however, say there is still hope that no election will take place. There are only ten days more of the session.

It being understood that Mr. Barbour would arrive here the morning on the half-past ten o'clock train, about twenty-five or thirty Virginians who were anxious to see him assembled at different points extending from the 6th street depot to the St. Marc's Hotel, and as soon as he was observed they advanced upon him, but with such haste as to become ridiculous, those farthest off actually running in their effort to pass those in front of them. The scene is represented as positively amusing, some of the older portion of the crowd giving out before they reached him, several stopping to rest against the trees on Pennsylvania avenue, and some in the Metropolitan Hotel. Some of those who were so distant abandoned the effort and turned to the bar of the hotel for refreshments, and the feelings evoked in some of the others induced them to start immediately on their return home. A party from one of the upper counties in Mr. Barbour's district caught him first and whisked him off to one of the departments before the others got a chance to say a word to him.

It is understood that Mr. Gratz Van Rensselaer, assistant custodian of the Treasury Department, who was recently a resident of Alexandria, will soon be superseded.

The impression here is that the opinion of Judge McCue, Solicitor of the Treasury, that the purchasers of the Harper's Ferry property have the right to shut off the water from the C. & O. canal will not be sustained by the courts.

There was a falling off of nearly ninety three and a quarter million dollars in the foreign trade of the country during the last fiscal year, and a large falling off in the number of immigrants.

The prevailing impression is that the Secretary of the Interior will allow a suit to be entered in the courts to test the Bell Telephone patent.

John N. Shepherd has been appointed postmaster at Berryville, Clarke county, Va., vice John W. Reemer, resigned.

Among the removals in the Postoffice Department yesterday was that of Horace B. Abrahams, of Stafford county, Va., a watchman. An ex-Union soldier from Minnesota was appointed in his place.

Mr. Chichester, member elect to the Virginia Legislature, from Fairfax county, Va., was here to-day. He says that from what he understands Mr. Barbour will be elected to the Senate without much difficulty.

It is understood that the reappointment of Mr. Sypherd, of Alexandria county, Virginia, who had been removed from a clerkship in the Treasury Department, on account of his republicanism, was made at the instance of his democratic friends.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

It is reported that Col. Bob Mayo, of Westmoreland, who was recently elected to the House of Delegates, says that he will have very little of his time in Richmond this winter.

Mrs. Kate Wirt, wife of Mr. Daniel Wirt, died of consumption, at "Chatterton," King George county, on Sunday night last, aged about 30 years. She was the daughter of the late Col. John Tayloe.

Mrs. Stuart, wife of Hon. A. H. Stuart, died in Staunton Monday night, of consumption. Mrs. Stuart was a daughter of the late Judge Briscoe G. Baldwin and a sister of the late Hon. John B. Baldwin.

It was rumored in Richmond yesterday that Gen. Mahone would be offered the position of general manager of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company in the place of C. W. Smith, resigned; but the report could not be verified.

It was nearly noon on Monday when Judge Keeding, of Princess Anne county, ordered the body of Noah Cherry, the subject of the Sunday night lynching, to be cut down and an inquest held. The body was buried in the jail yard without any service being held. This is the first lynching that ever took place in Princess Anne.

Wm. Briggs, who is charged with the murder of Constable B. F. Nalls of Culpeper C. H., September 24, was brought from Charlottesville to Culpeper for trial. Little difficulty was found in obtaining a jury. Briggs is quite young, and it is thought was used as an instrument to carry out some personal spite.

The Richmond correspondent of the Petersburg Index Appeal says: "Judge Chas. E. Stuart, at present speaker of the House of Delegates, is in the city looking out for his re-election. He made a very good presiding officer, and he will, no doubt, be called again to the speaker's chair. His most formidable opponent will be Mr. H. R. Polard, of King and Queen."

The board of State canvassers will meet next Monday at the capitol in Richmond to canvass the vote for attorney-general and members of the legislature. The following officers compose the board: Governor, Attorney-General, Treasurer, Auditor, and Secretary of the Commonwealth. The vote for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor will be opened by the speaker of the house.

WHAT COL. BRIGHT says, as narrated by the GAZETTE's Washington correspondent, is what, in speculating circles, is called a "pointer," which may be profited by in political circles in Virginia.

Terribly Beaten.

DUBLIN, Nov. 18.—The agent on the estates of the Earl of Kenmare, in the county of Kerry, has been terribly beaten by a party of men supposed to be tenants on the estates.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A convention will be held at Easton, Md., to-day, to elect a successor to the late Bishop Lay.

The republican Senators will hold a caucus shortly before the meeting of Congress to decide upon their course as to Presidential appointments.

It is said that the President is determined to use the whole power of the government to punish those implicated in the Chinese outrages in the West.

The National Convention of Rabbis of the Reformed Hebrew Church yesterday adopted a declaration of principles opposed to traditional teachings of Judaism.

The work of providing for the sufferers by the conflagration at Galveston, Texas, goes on. Contributions continue to arrive from Texas and the East and North. Up to last evening \$76,513 had been subscribed.

Miss Ellen Shoemaker, daughter of the late Samuel M. Shoemaker, was married at 6 o'clock yesterday evening at Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore, to Mr. John J. Donaldson, of the Baltimore bar.

The Oregon Legislature took the first ballot yesterday for United States Senator. The republican vote stood, John H. Mitchell, 24; George H. Williams, 15 and the remainder scattering. The democrats voted solidly for James H. Slater. It requires 46 votes to elect.

T. E. Brown, of Des Moines, Iowa, the largest creditor of the old city of Memphis, Tenn., yesterday compromised his claim of \$350,000. This virtually winds up all the outstanding indebtedness of the old city of Memphis, amounting originally to about six and a-half million dollars.

Miss Mollie Meeker, aged 17, in her home at Eddyville, Iowa, yesterday, banteringly leveled a revolver at her companion, and, demanding her money or her life, snapped the pistol without effect. She then pointed the pistol in a playful manner at her own head and pulled the trigger. The weapon went off and killed her.

The Chinese merchants of New York have forwarded a letter to President Cleveland expressing gratitude for his righteous course, his courage and love of justice in the recent proclamation against the anti-Chinese agitators on the Pacific coast. The merchants assure the President that their countrymen endeavor to be good, peaceful, honest and law abiding citizens, and that his course will increase their veneration for him and their obedience to the laws.

A large and brilliant audience gathered in the Franklin Street Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, last night, to witness a double wedding. The parties were Mr. Charles D. Warfield, of Howard county, Md., and Miss Mary Snowden, of Montgomery county, and Mr. T. B. Cockey, of Baltimore county, and Miss Mamie Warfield, of Howard county. The former couple were married by Rev. Dr. W. T. Murkland, pastor of the church, and the latter couple by Rev. Dr. Shepherd, of Philadelphia.

The Servians inflicted a crushing defeat on the Bulgarians yesterday, near Widdin, and captured one thousand prisoners. The Servians have occupied all the positions in Dragoman Pass, and have captured the village of Dragoman. King Milan has sent a dispatch to Queen Natalie, announcing the success of the Servian army. The Servians admit that the Bulgarians defended the position bravely, but were outnumbered. The latter has replied to Prince Alexander that if he retires from Roumelia and restores the status quo ante, Turkey will consider his request for assistance.

Virginia Conference M. E. Church South.

The Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church South, which has been in session in Petersburg, adjourned yesterday after the announcement of the appointments for the coming year. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we regard it as religiously important to have our membership entirely free from all complicity with the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Resolved, That we urge fidelity to disciplinary teaching, and regard it highly necessary to have uniformity of administration throughout the conference on a matter so vital.

Resolved, That we look with confidence to Virginia law-makers for a fulfillment of pledges so plainly given to the people in published platforms.

A resolution was also adopted looking to the closer limitation of the boundary between the Virginia and Baltimore Conferences.

The following clerical delegates were elected to the quadrennial conference: Dr. J. E. Edwards, R. N. Siedel, J. D. Blackwell, P. A. Peterson, Paul Whitehead, Dr. W. W. Bennett and J. L. Lafferty. L. S. Reed and A. G. Brown were elected alternates.

Among the appointments are the following: Gordonsville and Orange, W. E. Robbins, W. H. Camper, superintending; Orange circuit, W. A. Sawyer; Culpeper circuit, J. C. Rosser; Culpeper station, J. L. Clarke; Rappahannock, J. Q. Rhodes; Madison, W. F. Bain; Piedmont, J. H. Crown; East Louisiana mission, to be supplied by H. H. Crowder; Spotsylvania, J. T. Payne; Caroline, W. T. Williams; Bowling Green, C. C. Urtenbaker; King George, J. F. Brannin; Montross, E. P. Parham; Westmoreland, M. S. Colours; Heathsville, W. H. Edwards; Bethany station, J. T. Martin.

Shot by his Mistress.

The National Hotel, Chicago, was the scene of a very sensational shooting affray yesterday morning. Edward Quevit, a young Frenchman, was shot at twice and dangerously wounded by Adeline Duval, his mistress, from whom he had separated a few days ago. Quevit had only been in this country a few months, and was a tailor by trade. He met Adeline Duval soon after his arrival. When he left her a few days ago, she learned where he was, and followed and threatened to kill him if he did not return to her. To elude her, he took apartments at the National, and registered as "Leopold, New York." That evening she called at the hotel and registered as "Mrs. Adeline Smith, City." Yesterday morning she ordered breakfast sent to her room. Quevit, unconscious that she was in the same building, went down to breakfast at nine o'clock, and when he returned to his room she was concealed behind the door. As he entered the room she fired two shots in rapid succession at the young tailor. She was about to shoot again, when he grappled with her and wrested the revolver from her. Quevit, swooned from loss of blood, and the woman, with a shriek, grabbed for the weapon, and would have fired again but for the interference of by-standers. An officer was called, and the woman placed under arrest.

Adeline Duval is a tall, handsome woman, apparently about twenty-five years of age, with black eyes and raven hair. She was tastefully attired in a close-fitting brown dress, in which her well-developed and rounded figure was displayed to its best advantage. When told that Quevit was resting easily, and in no danger of death, she said: "Oh, I am so glad! If he was to die I would kill myself. I loved him so, and yet he did not treat me right."

Hon. John S. Barbour.

Who is to succeed the unlamented and defunct Boss in the United States Senate is likely to become *veraxa questio*, if we may judge from the expressions in many of our exchanges. Anything like a contest over this matter is to be deplored, and we hope none such will occur. We had supposed that it had been long settled, in the public mind, that when the occasion arose the Hon. John S. Barbour would be Mahone's successor in the United States Senate, if the democrats, under his leadership, gained and maintained control of the Legislature. We could not, if we wished, say anything in disparagement of the other distinguished names, whose names have been mentioned in this connection. All deserve any honors their loyal and grateful constituents wish to bestow upon them; but in this case but one can be chosen, and time and circumstance mark the man as clearly and as graphically as was the case with Saul, the son of Kish. When in the darkest hour of her political degradation, Virginia, writing under the heel of the petty Boss and political tyrant, sought for one of her sons to rally the broken and scattered forces of democracy and lead them to victory, the choice, by common consent, fell upon Hon. John S. Barbour, and into his hands was committed the destinies of the democratic party of the State. He accepted the trust and bending all his energies to the work and bringing into action his wonderful powers of organization, with a vigilance that never slept and a sagacity that never missed a point, he wrung victory from the very jaws of defeat. A second time he has led the party and again victory has perched upon the standard he held. He has done all this without achieving any political advantage for himself, since the district he represents in Congress has never been in jeopardy and has always returned him to his seat by large majorities. Mr. Barbour possesses in a marked degree the characteristics that would commend him to his associates in the United States Senate, and has that force of intellect, strong will, sterling integrity, tenacity of purpose and power of comprehension and execution that would make him an able, effective and successful promoter of the interests of his State in that body. We believe he is the choice of a very large majority of the people of Virginia, and if party service and party gratitude are not to be ignored, he stands alone and pre-eminent the man for the place. It is quite in keeping with the "eternal fitness of things" that the victor should be possessed of the spoils of the vanquished, and the brilliant political battles he has fought could find no fitter sequel than that the conqueror should establish himself in the halls of his defeated adversary—Roanoke Leader.

That great statesman, John S. Barbour, chairman of the State democratic committee, organized with such beautiful precision the various elements of the party in their order that success was sure to follow with the co-operation of the people.—New River Bulletin.

MOROSINI'S DAUGHTER IN HARD LUCK.

Ernest Schelling, the ex-coachman, who married Victoria, the daughter of banker Morosini, is at work as a substitute conductor on the Sixth avenue surface railroad, New York. The young couple have had a hard time of it lately, and it was only after the fact that he really must do something for a living was firmly impressed upon his mind that Ernest applied for a job as conductor. For the last two or three days he has worked on the road under the tuition of conductor G. I. otherwise James Conners. On Saturday No. 61 reported him an apt pupil, and capable of running a car all by himself. He was then regularly appointed a "sub." After a time he will get a regular car, and will be able to earn \$2.25 a day. Mrs. Schelling appeared at the New York Casino in the opera "Amorita," last night. Her part is an insignificant one. All she has to do is to appear in the slave scene in the second act and look as pleasant as she can in short clothes. By pooling their earnings the couple hope to live nicely if not luxuriously.

COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY.—Beecher, &c., against Lewis and Bagby, trustees, and, &c. Appeal allowed and supersedeas awarded to decree pronounced by the Circuit Court of the county of King William.

Muse against Stern. Argued and submitted.

The shorter the tunnel the sweeter the kiss, but the older the cold the harder the cure. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup has broken many stubborn coughs.

[COMMUNICATED.]

The Bazaar, which is being held in the unfinished part of the Trinity M. E. Church, was brought into successful operation by a large committee of the Sunday school, and has many very pleasant features about it. First, the Sunday school children and all are trying to pay their debt of gratitude to the Church for their beautiful room, so nicely furnished for their comfort. Second, the gifts of the people, both of Alexandria and from distant friends, are numerous, quite valuable and attractive, and added to the liberality in the gifts of the people is their kind patronage, the continuance of which must convince all that great kindness is entertained by the people of this city and elsewhere towards the Trinity M. E. Church and congregation; and, lastly, it has appeared to us, so charming has been the order, that every visitor has given additional assurance of good order, as well as being a valuable adjunct to increase the receipts.

JOHN E. EDWARDS.

Mr. Henry Mylander, a well known Tailor of Baltimore, writes:—"I have been suffering for some time with a severe pain in my back from which I was unable to obtain relief. I gave Salvation Oil a trial and less than a bottle entirely cured me. I do not hesitate to pronounce it a most excellent liniment."

MARRIED.

On Wednesday, November 18th, 1885, at noon, in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, Va., by the rectory, the Rev. George H. Norton, D. D., the Rev. MARY DOUGLASS, daughter of the late Rev. Chandler Robbins, of Springfield, Ohio. No cards.

OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE MAILS.

Northern mails close at 7:30 and 9:30 a. m., 12:30, 4:30, 6:30 and 8:20 p. m. Open at 8:30 a. m., 12:00 m. and 6:30 p. m.

Southern mails via Richmond, Va., close at 5:45 and 11:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m. Open at 8:30 and 12:30 m.

Southwestern via Charlottesville, Va., close at 7:00 and 11:10 a. m. and 8:20 p. m. Open at 8:30 a. m. and 2:00 p. m.

Western mails close at 4:15 and 8:20 p. m. Open at 8:30 a. m., 12:00 m. and 6:30 p. m.

Washington, D. C., mails close at 7:30 and 9:30 a. m., 12:30, 4:30, 6:30 and 8:20 p. m. Open at 8:30 a. m., 12:00 m., 3:00 and 6:30 p. m.

Alexandria to Round Hill mails close at 8:35 a. m. Open at 4:30 p. m.

Manassas Division mails close at 2:10 p. m. Open at 10:30 a. m.

Additional mail to Leesburg, Vienna, Herndon and Fairfax C. H. closes at 4:00 p. m. Opens at 9:15 a. m.



ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES.

Servia and Bulgaria.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—The Bulgarians, after desperate fighting, have carried every one of the Servian positions which were menacing Slivnitza. Prince Alexander led the Bulgarian columns in person.

BELGRADE, Nov. 18.—An official report from the front states that the Servians entered Bresnik yesterday. The town had been abandoned by the Bulgarians, who, in their haste to get away, left eight guns behind them. The capture of Bresnik leaves that route open to Sofia. The Bulgarian army of the Widdin district may be considered completely destroyed and dispersed.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—It is reported that a Turkish army corps has concentrated at Kumanovo, near Uskub, at the junction of the Nissa and Sofia roads, and has thrown out outposts on the Servian and Bulgarian frontiers.

The *Diritto*, of Rome, says Austria is disposed to concede territorial rectifications to Italy in return for Italy's support of changes in the political constitution of the Balkan territory.

The Vienna *Neue Freie Presse* has a dispatch from Philippopolis stating that the public officials and school teachers there have been ordered to join the Bulgarian army.

The *Tagblatt*, of Vienna, says there is a split in the Hungarian cabinet in regard to the government's eastern policy, and that three of the ministers will probably retire.

King Milan has issued a decree forbidding the ill-treatment of prisoners or non-combatants.

BELGRADE, Nov. 18.—An official dispatch relative to the engagements between the Servians and Bulgarians near Slivnitza says that after heavy fighting Prince Alexander was forced to retreat before the Servian advance positions and retire to Slivnitza. Both sides lost heavily. Sharp fighting has occurred on the left of the Servian advance line, where both forces hold their positions.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—The Bulgarian force at Widdin has blocked the Danube river.

Suicide.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 18.—John E. Welthebe, one of the most prominent members of the Suffolk county bar, was found dead in his office on School street this morning, having committed suicide by taking cyanide of potassium. He was twice a candidate on the democratic ticket for Representative in the Legislature. During the last election some unpleasantness was caused by the unfeeling thrusts of his political enemies, and it is probable that this may have preyed on his mind. On election day he went to the polls, and, ignoring the independent ticket, on which his name appeared, voted the straight democratic ticket.

Instantly Killed.

ASHLAND, Wis., Nov. 18.—A large section of ore fell from the top of a cut in the Colby mine at Bessemer yesterday, and four miners, named Herman Huppert, sr., Herman Huppert, jr., Charles Waugstead and Charles Rough, were instantly killed. One other man was seriously injured. The ore fell 35 feet before striking the men.

BELLEVILLE, Ill., Nov. 18.—By the premature explosion of a blast in the Green Mountain coal mine, last night, Michael Hock was instantly killed and Charles Hock and James Evans so badly injured that recovery is improbable.

The British and Burmese.

RANGOON, Nov. 18.—The British forces have carried the forts in the vicinity of Minihla, and captured the city after three hours firing from the floating batteries, the armed launches and the heavy guns on board the steamers. The British lost 4 men killed and 27 wounded. Minihla was the most strongly fortified position on the river, and by its capture the way is cleared for the British advance to Mandalay, as the fort at Ava, 12 miles from the Burmese capital, are only slight structures in comparison with those at Minihla.

Fires.

CAIRO, Ill., Nov. 18.—The Arlington Hotel, owned by E. A. Huder, was burned yesterday. Loss on building \$4,000; insurance \$4,500.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 18.—Incendiaries fired the extensive storehouse of R. F. Brown at Spring City, Tenn., yesterday morning. It was entirely consumed. Loss \$9,000; insurance \$1,000. The postoffice, which was attached, was entirely consumed, together with a quantity of mail.

Mysterious Murder.

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 18.—Emmit Cunningham, a young colored man, was found on the street early this morning, dying from two knife wounds. He was taken to the hospital, where he breathed his last soon after his admission without having been able to speak. There is no clue to his murderer.

Explosion of Oil.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 18.—An explosion of a tank of oil at the Philadelphia Lubric company's works, on the Delaware, at the foot of Moore street, this morning, resulted in the death of Alex. Banes, the probable death of a boy, the seriously injuring of four others, and the partial destruction of the establishment.

Elopement.

LONDON, November 18.—Anderson, the Steward of Hon. Gathorne Hardy, has been taken to Inverary, where he will be formally charged with eloping with a ward in chancery. Anderson is a married man, and eloped with Miss Ridgeway, who was under the guardianship of Sir Gathorne Hardy.

The English Church Question.

EDINBURGH, Nov. 18.—The liberal newspapers throughout Scotland, in their editorials to-day commenting on Mr. Gladstone's speech at West Calder, yesterday, renew their angry remarks respecting the church question.

Examination of John McCullough's Brain.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 18.—The examination of the brain of John McCullough, the actor, was made to-day by several doctors. It resulted in confirming the diagnosis previously made that there was a disease of the blood vessels of the brain, due to blood poisoning.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, November 18.—The stock market opened this morning amid great excitement and advances ranging from 4 to 5 per cent. After the opening there was some appearance of nervousness for a few minutes, but this was smoothed by a further general advance and the market remained active and strong throughout the remainder of the first hour. At 11 o'clock the market was active and strong with the greatest activity, as usual of late.

Wholesale Prices of Produce in Alexandria, Nov. 18.

Flour, fine.....	\$3 25	do 3 75
Superfine.....	3 50	do 3 75
Extra.....	4 25	do 4 50
Family.....	4 75	do 5 25
Fancy brands.....	5 50	do 6 00
Wheat, Longberry.....	0 95	do 1 02
do.....	0 92	do 0 97
Mixed.....	0 93	do 0 98
Fair Wheat.....	0 90	do 0 92
Damp and tough.....	0 80	do 0 90
Corn, white.....	0 38	do 0 51
do.....	0 40	do 0 53
Yellow.....	0 48	do 0 51
Corn Meal.....	0 51	do 0 52
Oats.....	0 65	do 0 75
Butter, prime.....	0 18	do 0 22
Common to middling.....	0 10	do 0 1